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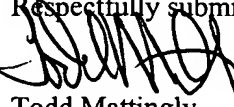
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Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
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Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
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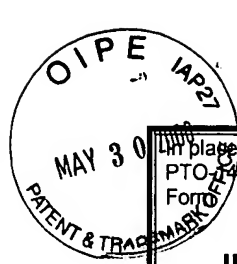
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<b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT</b> <i>(use as many sheets as necessary)</i>				Application Number	10/825,338
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	C1	Curlett Family Limited Partnership, Ltd., Plaintiff V. Particle Drilling Technologies, Inc., a Delaware Corporation; and Particle Drilling Technologies, Inc., a Nevada Corporation Defendant; Civil Action No. 4:06-CV-01012; Affidavit of Harry (Hal) B. Curlett, May 03, 2006.
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	C3	FAIR, JOHN, "Development of High-Pressure Abrasive-Jet Drilling," Journal of Petroleum Technology, August 1981, 1379-1388.
	C4	GEDDES et al., "Leveraging a New Energy Source to Enhance Heavy-Oil and Oil-Sands Production," Society of Petroleum Engineers, SPE/PS-CIM/CHOA 97781, 2005.
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	C10	www.particledrilling.com, May 4, 2006.

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